715 Estate St.

Sumter, South Carolina 29150

Grades 6-8 Middle School

Enrollment 845 Students

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Annual School Report Card 2005

ABSOLUTE RATING

AVERAGE

Absolute Ratings of Middle Schools with Students like Ours Excellent Good Average Below Average Unsatisfactory 0

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IMPROVEMENT RATING

BELOW AVERAGE

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

NO

This school met 17 out of 21 objectives. The objectives included performance and participation of students in various groups.

Definition: As required by the United States Department of Education, Adequate Yearly Progress specifies that the statewide target is met for All Students and for the following subgroups: Racial/Ethnic, Subsidized Meals, Disability, and Limited English Proficiency.

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

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PERFORMANCE TRENDS OVER 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
2002	Average	Below Average	N/A
2003	Average	Unsatisfactory	No
2004	Average	Below Average	No
2005	Average	Below Average	No

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

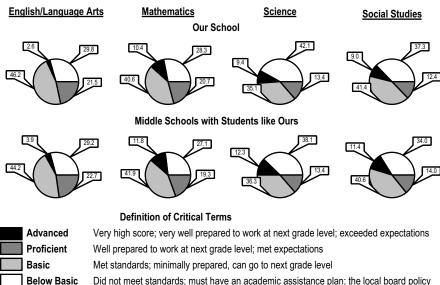
- Excellent School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- •Good School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Average School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Below Average School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Unsatisfactory School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

PERCENT OF STUDENT RECORDS MATCHED FOR PURPOSES OF COMPUTING IMPROVEMENT RATING

Percent of students tested in 2004-05 whose 2003-04 test scores were located.

92.9%

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT)



determines progress to the next grade level

PACT PERFORMANCE BY GROUP									
Enrolment 1st Day of Testing % Tested % Below Basic % Proficient % Advanced % Proficient and Performance Descrive Met Participation Objective Met Objective Met									
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Englis	h/Langua	ge Arts -	State Per	formance	Objective	= 38.2%			
All Students	810	98.4	28.5	47.0	21.8	2.6	35.8	Yes	Yes
Gender									
Male	396	98.2	32.8	48.0	17.1	2.2	31.2		
Female	414	98.6	24.5	46.1	26.3	3.1	40.2		
Racial/Ethnic Group									
White	300	98.3	12.8	49.8	31.3	6.0	52.7	Yes	Yes
African American	492	98.4	38.3	45.0	16.0	0.6	25.3	Yes	Yes
Asian/Pacific Islander	9	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Hispanic	8	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
American Indian/Alaskan	1	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Disability Status									
Not Disabled	713	98.6	24.3	48.7	24.1	3.0	39.4		
Disabled	97	96.9	60.7	34.8	4.5	0.0	9.0	No	Yes
Migrant Status									
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Non-Migrant	810	98.4	28.5	47.0	21.8	2.6	35.8		
English Proficiency									
Limited English Proficient	6	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Non-Limited English Proficient	804	98.4	28.2	47.2	21.9	2.7	35.9		
Socio-Economic Status									
Subsidized meals	443	98.2	40.0	44.3	15.0	0.7	23.7	No	Yes
Full-pay meals	367	98.6	14.8	50.3	29.9	4.9	50.3		ı İ

Mathematics - State Performance Objective = 36.7%									
All Students	810	98.9	27.4	41.2	20.9	10.5	42.8	Yes	Yes
Gender									
Male	396	98.2	30.9	37.9	20.3	10.8	41.5		
Female	414	99.5	24.0	44.2	21.5	10.2	44.0		
Racial/Ethnic Group									
White	300	98.7	11.7	39.5	27.8	21.0	59.8	Yes	Yes
African American	492	99.0	37.0	42.6	16.6	3.9	32.0	Yes	Yes
Asian/Pacific Islander	9	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Hispanic	8	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
American Indian/Alaskan	1	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Disability Status									
Not Disabled	713	99.2	23.0	41.9	23.2	11.9	47.1		
Disabled	97	96.9	60.7	36.0	3.4	0.0	10.1	No	Yes
Migrant Status									
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Non-Migrant	810	98.9	27.4	41.2	20.9	10.5	42.8		
English Proficiency									
Limited English Proficient	6	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Non-Limited English Proficient	804	98.9	27.1	41.3	21.0	10.6	42.9		
Socio-Economic Status									
Subsidized meals	443	98.9	37.7	42.8	15.4	4.1	30.5	No	Yes
Full-pay meals	367	98.9	14.8	39.2	27.6	18.3	57.6		

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PACT PERFORMANCE BY GR	ROUP						
	Enrollment 1st Day of Test	% Tested	% Below Basic	% Basic	% Proficient	% Advanced	% Proficient and Advanced
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All Ot 1		30	ience	05.7	40.0	0.0	
All Students Gender	809	98.5	41.1	35.7	13.6	9.6	23.2
Male	396	97.5	43.1	31.3	13.9	11.7	25.6
Female	413	99.5	39.2	39.7	13.3	7.7	21.0
Racial/Ethnic Group							
White	299	98.3	21.7	40.2	19.2	18.9	38.1
African American	492	98.4	53.0	33.3	10.0	3.7	13.6
Asian/Pacific Islander	9	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Hispanic	8	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
American Indian/Alaskan	1	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Disability Status							
Not Disabled	712	98.9	35.9	38.1	15.2	10.8	26.0
Disabled	97	95.9	80.7	17.0	1.1	1.1	2.3
Migrant Status							
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non-Migrant	809	98.5	41.1	35.7	13.6	9.6	23.2
English Proficiency							
Limited English Proficient	6	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Non-Limited English Proficient	803	98.5	40.8	35.8	13.7	9.7	23.3
Socio-Economic Status							
Subsidized meals	443	98.4	55.9	30.4	10.1	3.6	13.7
Full-pay meals	366	98.6	23.1	42.1	17.8	17.0	34.8
		Socia	l Studies				
All Students	808	98.8	36.3	42.1	12.5	9.1	21.6
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Hispanic	8	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
American Indian/Alaskan	1	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
Disability Status							
Not Disabled	711	99.0	30.3	45.6	13.9	10.2	24.1
Disabled	97	96.9	80.9	15.7	2.2	1.1	3.4
Migrant Status							
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non-Migrant	808	98.8	36.3	42.1	12.5	9.1	21.6
English Proficiency		400.0	110	110	1 1/0		140
Limited English Proficient	6	100.0	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S

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Non-Limited English Proficient

Socio-Economic Status Subsidized meals

Full-pay meals

	Middle							4317022
PACT	PERFORM	ANCE BY GRA	ADE LEVEL			_		
/	G_{rade}	Enrolment 1st Day of Testing	% Tested	% Below Basic	% Basic	% Proficient	% Advanced	% Proficient and Advanced
				/ English/Lar	nguage Arts			
	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
0	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12	6	249	99.2	28.2	43.3	26.9	1.6	28.6
	7	260	99.6	29.8	50.6	17.6	2.0	19.6
_	8	231	99.6	29.1	49.8	18.5	2.6	21.1
	3	N/A	N/A	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
ß	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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12	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
9	6	249	99.2	17.1	39.2	32.2	11.4	43.7
	7	260	100.0	33.2	39.5	14.8	12.5	27.3
	8	231	100.0	34.6	49.6	11.8	3.9	15.8
	3	N/A	N/A	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
10	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
_2L	6	265	98.5	16.3	43.3	30.0	10.4	40.4
	7	290	98.6	26.0	38.1	19.6	16.2	35.8
	8	255	99.6	37.8	42.9	14.3	5.0	19.3
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	3	N/A	N/A	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
121	6	265	98.1	41.8	34.3	14.2	9.6	23.8
	7	289	97.9	33.8	37.3	18.3	10.6	28.9
_	8	255	99.6	45.8	36.6	8.8	8.8	17.6
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	3	N/A	N/A	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S	I/S
	4	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
8	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
9	6	265	98.9	32.0	37.8	14.1	16.2	30.3
67	7	288	99.0	41.7	36.7	14.4	7.2	21.6
	8	255	98.4	33.1	52.5	9.7	4.7	14.4

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Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)		Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

As we continue to prepare the students of Bates Middle School for the future, we are embracing the notion that change is essentially a good thing and must be cultivated if student success is the desired outcome. Our students have the opportunity to participate in a variety of extracurricular activities as well as involve their parents in everyday school life. They have impressed us with a number of individual and group awards/recognitions. This list includes: writing honors, raising funds for charity, band, football, basketball, track, mock trial, student council, science fair, chorus and the list continues. Toward the end of the year, we were especially honored that our English I and Algebra I Honors classes presented the school with a 100% passing rate on both end-of-course exams. The goal for next year is to continue the trend and increase the number of students taking these high level courses.

On the curriculum front, Bates started a new course that proved highly successful. We offered an Algebra course as an accelerated math course that moved at a slower pace and did not require students to take the end-of-course exam. The purpose was to increase the number of students taking or having access to an Algebra course prior to entering high school. If next year's enrollment is any indication, the course is already a success. We aim to enroll 75% of all Bates students in an Algebra course within the next two years.

Finally, on a personal note, motivation or lack of motivation appears to be a challenge we must continue to battle. For the next two years, one of our major areas of focus "must" be concentrating on those who are being left behind. We must devise a new strategy to ensure that all are performing and doing well and not simply blame it on socio-economic factors. We must simply take a new look at who they are and correct their course. We must and we will address this concern as a faculty, staff, and community.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS								
	Teachers	Students*	Parents*					
Number of surveys returned	46	236	124					
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.6%	73.6%	83.3%					
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.8%	80.2%	71.3%					
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.1%	88.8%	60.2%					
*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.								